

January 22, 2003

TO: Members of the MAG Transportation Review Committee

FROM: Jan Dolan, Scottsdale, Chair

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Thursday, January 30, 2003, 10:00 a.m.  
MAG Office, Suite 200, Saguaro Room  
302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix

A meeting of the MAG Transportation Review Committee (TRC) will be held at the time and place noted above. **Please park in the garage under the building. Bring your ticket to the meeting as parking will be validated. Bicycles can be locked in the rack at the entrance to the parking garage.**

Please be advised that under procedures adopted by the MAG Regional Council on June 26, 1996, all MAG committees need to have a quorum in order to conduct business. A quorum is a simple majority of the membership or nine people for the MAG TRC. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please make arrangements for a proxy from your jurisdiction to represent you. Members of the MAG TRC may attend either in person, by videoconference or by telephone conference call. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Eric Anderson or Ken Hall at (602) 254-6300.

#### TENTATIVE AGENDA

#### COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED

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| 1. | <u>Call to Order</u>                         |  |
| 2. | <u>Approval of December 10, 2002 Minutes</u> | 2. Approve minutes of the December 10, 2002 meeting. |
| 3. | <u>Call to the Audience</u>                  | 3. For information and discussion.                   |

An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the Committee. Citizens will be requested not to exceed a three minute time period for their comments.

4. Transportation Manager's Report

Recent transportation planning activities and upcoming agenda items for the MAG Management Committee will be reviewed by the Transportation Manager.

4. For information and possible action.

5. Approval of Consent Agenda

5. For information and possible action.

Committee members can request that an item be removed from the Consent Agenda. Consent items are marked with an asterisk.

CONSENT AGENDA

\*6. Proposed Amendment to the FY 2003-2007 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for Highway Projects.

6. For information, discussion and possible recommendation to approve an Amendment to the FY 2003-2007 MAG Transportation Improvement Program for the projects listed within Attachment One.

The FY 2003-2007 MAG TIP was approved by the Regional Council on July 24, 2002. Since that time, the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) has notified MAG that they wish to complete a re-striping project on I-10 in the Deck Park tunnel that will add additional through lanes for further than half a mile. In addition, the State Board has approved a list of Transportation Enhancement Funded projects and ADOT, Chandler and Maricopa County DOT have identified two safety and two enhancement funded projects that were expected to have already obligated in a prior TIP but were unable to do so.

It is necessary to amend this TIP to incorporate the projects concerned. The project on I-10 will require a regional emissions analysis and all of the projects are detailed within Attachment One.

\*7. ADOT Red Letter Notification

7. For information and discussion.

In June 1996, the Regional Council approved the revised ADOT Red Letter process, which requires MAG member agencies to notify ADOT of potential development activities in freeway alignments. Development activities include actions on plans, zoning, and permits. The Regional Council has allocated \$5 million per year for advance acquisition requests where needed to prevent development in freeway alignments. ADOT has forwarded a list of notifications for the last six months of 2002. Upon request any of the notices could be removed from the consent agenda and returned for action at a future meeting. Please refer to the letter provided as Attachment Two.

#### ITEMS TO BE HEARD

8. FY 2008 ADOT Projects

At the December 2002 meeting of the TRC, ADOT presented a cooperative developed list of proposed projects for FY 2008. According to the recommendations from the Resource Allocation Advisory Committee, the MAG region is allocated a total \$ 205.5 million for FY 2008, of which \$175.5 million can be programmed for major projects with the balance reserved for ADOT's subprograms. ADOT has proposed lower funding by \$11 million for the Val Vista to Power Road widening project on U.S. 60 as a result of new cost estimates for this section. Seven million of this funding is being proposed for the north half of a new Bethany Home TI on L101. There was no TI planned for

8. For information, discussion and action to recommend approval of the proposed FY 2008 ADOT Cooperatively Developed project list.

this location as part of Proposition 300 since it was in proximity to the connection of the Paradise Freeway and L101. Glendale is funding the south half of the TI and the design for the TI. This would be a material change for the MAG Regional Freeway Program. In addition, ADOT is recommending \$3.3 million be placed in a fund for TI improvements and \$600,000 for design studies to follow-up on the Freeway Bottleneck Study findings. A proposed list of projects is provided as Attachment Three.

9. Implementation Plan for Rubberized Asphalt

The Management Committee and the Transportation Policy Committee have recommended approval of the \$34 Million funding plan for rubberized asphalt. ADOT has developed a map showing the proposed fiscal years for different sections of the freeway system. The refined map will be discussed by the TRC with a possible recommendation to the Management Committee, the Transportation Policy Committee, and the Region Council for approval. Please refer to Attachment Four.

10. RTP Goals & Objectives, Performance Measures, and Evaluation Methodology

The Transportation Policy Committee has started its work on the review and approval of the goals and objectives to be used for the development of the Regional Transportation Plan. In addition, a meeting of an ad hoc group of MAG member agencies staff met on January 9, 2002, to discuss the evaluation methodology with the RTP consultants.

9. Information, discussion and possible action to recommend approval of the implementation plan for rubberized asphalt.

10. For information and discussion.

Members of the TRC are being asked to provide input on the goals and objectives. In addition, they are being asked to provide guidance on the proposed performance measures to identify about 10 key measures that can be used to evaluate the performance of the plan alternatives. Please refer to the materials included in Attachment Five.

A workshop on RTP performance measures and transportation modeling will be conducted on February 5, 2003, at 1:30 p.m. in the MAG Saguaro Conference Room. Materials for this workshop will be distributed in a separate mailing.

11. Area Transportation Study Briefing

Area Transportation Studies covering the southeast, southwest and northwest areas of the region have been underway for approximately a year. These studies are focusing on the transportation issues and needs specific to each area. The study consultant teams will brief the TRC on preliminary findings from the studies.

11. For information and discussion.

12. Next Meeting Date

The next regular TRC meeting will be scheduled Thursday, February 27, 2003 at 10:00 a.m. in the MAG Office, Saguaro Room.

12. For information and discussion.